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Transmitted herewith for filing under 37 CFR 1.53(b) is the  [ ] patent application of [ X ] continuation patent application of [ ] divisional patent application of [ ] continuation-in-part patent application of Inventor(s)/Applicant Identifier: Nathan S. Lewis, et al.	Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231  By:
For: COMPOSITIONALLY DIFFERENT POLYMER-BASED SENSOR ELEMENTS AND METHOD FOR PREPARING SAME	

[X]This application claims priority from each of the following Application Nos./filing dates: 60/051,203 filed 06/30/97; 09/106,791 filed 06/29/98 the disclosure(s) of which is (are) incorporated by reference.

Please amend this application by deleting the following -- This is based on a provisional application, U.S. Serial No. [X] 60/051,203, filed on June 30, 1997, the contents of which are expressly incorporated herein by reference.--and replacing the following before the first sentence: "This application is a continuation of U.S. Patent Application No. 09/106,791, filed on June 29, 1998, which claims benefit from the U.S. Provisional Application No. 60/051,203, filed on June 30, 1997, the contents of which are expressly incorporated herein by reference." In the claims, please cancel claims 1-231.

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- **[X**] 50 page(s) of specification
- [X] \_\_ page(s) of claims
- [X]\_\_ page of Abstract
  - X ] 9 sheet(s) of [X] formal [] informal drawing(s).
  - [X] A copy of previously filed signed assignment of the invention to <u>California Institute of Technology</u>
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